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## Popcorn 2011

The HAC is the Council of 5 Seasons! Winter, Spring, Summer, Autumn and **POPCORN SEASON!!!** And **POPCORN SEASON** for 2011 is nearly here... so it's time to get your unit organized and get ready for the 2011 Popcorn Sale! Select your key volunteers now so they can make plans to attend one of the upcoming education/informational events.

**All Units are requested to participate!** –All Units use the Council resources, so all units are requested to help pay for their support. If your unit has historically not participated for various reasons then this is the year to re-evaluate your programs. Some didn't participate due to restrictions from their chartered organization. The way is now clear for all units to participate. Some units have had other fundraisers on their own. While this is well and good for your unit, the Annual Popcorn Sale supports the resources that your unit uses, such as camps, programs, Council resources, and more. Your help is needed with the Popcorn Sale to provide the income to pay for these resources! If your unit doesn't participate, it requires **OTHER** units to pay for the resources that **YOUR** unit uses. If your unit has not sold in the past, we have plenty of volunteers to help you get up to speed with a minimum of effort! So now's the time!

To learn more, please plan on attending one of the **Popcorn University Dinners:**

**Tuesday, September 6 in Cedar Rapids or**

**Wednesday, September 7 in Coralville**

**Reservations Required by Monday, August 29**

**One person from each Unit is free –additional attendees \$10.00 each**

**Reservations required.**

Information will be available at program kick-off and on the Council website. Please contact Anita at the Council Service Center at (319)862-0541 or [anita.munson@scouting.org](mailto:anita.munson@scouting.org).

Recruit your Product Sale Team now and send them to the Popcorn University Dinner. Each Unit should have three Popcorn Leadership Positions in place:

- 1) **Popcorn Chairman**- Promotes the sale, organizes and recruits the warehouse sort team.
- 2) **Logistics Chairman** - Responsible for ordering, handing out and tracking popcorn for the Unit and each Scout.
- 3) **Unit Treasurer** - Regularly collects money, tracks Scout accounts and may also order prizes. Organized, trustworthy, and enthusiastic people should fill these positions.

### **Set a Unit Popcorn Goal –**

- Brainstorm with your Scouts on what they want to accomplish this year and create a budget. Assist them in setting their sale goals.
- Come discover what popcorn can do for your Unit. For the last five years Scouts in the Hawkeye Area Council have sold over a million dollars in popcorn!! Over \$361,000 went into Unit treasuries for program and equipment use.
- Make sure your Unit benefits from this tradition of success! Sale Begins: **Thursday, September 22**

The 2011 Popcorn Sale will soon be upon us. Is your Unit ready?

Bruce Taylor  
Council Popcorn Chairman



## Scout Executive's Minute

One of the sayings I use in many conversations I engage in with volunteers is that fact that "big goals require big energy!" I think in Hawkeye Area Council Scouting we do have big goals and dreams for the youth in our program. Another statement I think about is "fear is a negative rehearsal of the future"! I take both of these anecdotes and use them when I describe what leaders in Scouting have to practice each and every day.

Now summer is not yet over, September 21 is still weeks away, however I have to congratulate our summer camp staff for their

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remarkable job in bringing a great camping opportunity to our Scouts, leaders, parents and guests. I think you will agree with me that our camp was energetic, enthusiastic and willing to do anything to deliver good program. Safety was also a top priority for this staff. At least a few times this summer, it was good to have our existing tornado safe rooms in place and ready! Safety and fun do go hand in hand.

Planning for the 2012 camping season started long ago! This year we experienced nearly 50% of our own Scouts attending our camp. This is one of the highest percentages in a long time. I thank our outdoor programs committees and our Order of the Arrow lodge for their help in contacting every troop to promote the Camp Wakonda magic. Our FEMA/Department of Homeland Security grant is moving right along. We are in the design phase of our five new safe rooms now. Our goal is to start construction in 2012. Included in this project is a new radio system for camp. Thank you to those who are working to make this addition a reality.

Training, advancement and retention are leading indicators of program success! I am happy to report to you that our Journey to Excellence report card for July is "gold!" Our training figures are through the roof due to leaders committing time for training but also generous leaders who donate their time to conduct training around the council, including summer camp! On advancement, I am enthused by the increase in Cub Scout, Boy Scout and Venturing advancement. From Tiger Cubs going on their first "Go See It" to Venturers earning their Ranger award, advancement is happening. Let's take time during our fall Courts of Honor, pack meetings and Venturing gatherings to honor our youth for their achievements. All of this

leads to youth retention in the program. Once again, we are experiencing over 75% youth retention in our program, much higher than the national trend!

Fall is our time to work on planning! Our Vice President of Membership Mike Valiga and the district membership teams are working hard to enable all packs, troops, teams and crews to promote their programs and bring new youth into the Scouting family. Check out your August kickoffs for more details. The Scouting product is in demand, how can we help?

My last exciting note to you is about our popcorn sale. Our partners at Pecatonica River Popcorn are delivering many new products while keeping our past products consistent. Best of all, we are not increasing prices on many items like microwave and the \$10 items. In all candor, we are experiencing a price increase on the actual corn, however we are able to offer flat cost to units. We will eat the cost increase for this year (no pun intended!) to help each and every unit in the Hawkeye Area Council try new sales techniques and have fun without the pressure of selling 10% more product for the same return. Let's have fun out there, our demand is good. Plan now to attend a popcorn kickoff dinner on September 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup>!

As always, I end with my "thanks!" This has been a summer to remember. Check out our social media presence on Facebook at "Hawkeye Area Council" or Twitter @hawkeyebsa, we update it near daily with news, information and good news about Scouting! All the best!

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# Hawkeye Area Council *Event, Activity, and Meeting Calendar*

A CENTENNIAL QUALITY COUNCIL

## August 2011

- 5 Kernels Overnight
- 11-14 "Building the Hawkeye Nation" Junior Leader Training
- 18 Properties and Maintenance Meeting
- 18 Finance and Admin. Committee Meeting
- 22 President's Cabinet

## Council Training Corner by Dave Yansky

I'd like to thank the volunteer scout leaders of the Hawkeye Area Council who took their time out of their summer camp activities to help with the training of their fellow scout leaders during each of the 2011 summer camp sessions. Without your valuable commitment of time the successes we are achieving as a council would not be possible. THANK YOU! From all indications this was a smashing success so thank you summer camp staff for making this happen, especially David Cunningham and Dani Gibbs.

We have a great line-up of courses for the fall and winter of 2011. There is a slight change in the training offering this fall due to the success of Cub Scout on-line training. We are offering only two sessions of cub leader training in the fall instead of three sessions. We are covering the geographical north and south areas of our council similarly to our Boy Scout leader training offering. For more dates, times and location information see the training flyers posted on the [hawkeyebsa.org](http://hawkeyebsa.org) website location.

I cannot stress enough how important is to make sure every leader on the unit inventory sheet has been contacted as to their training status. If a leader is not trained please make every attempt to receive quality training this fall either from on line resources or from the superb adult leaders who volunteer their time for you.

For units to go camping at least one adult at each camping event must have completed hazardous weather training prior to the outing. This training currently is available on the national training website at [myscouting.org](http://myscouting.org).

Packs, please remember to meet the gold level standard in training for the Journey To Excellence quality award. There is a requirement that Webelos leaders participate in OWL's (Outdoor Webelos Leader) training. This will be offered during the outdoor portion of Boy Scout leader training in the fall of 2011 and spring of 2012.

And remember, if you have not finished your "This Is Scouting" training you are not considered fully trained. "This Is Scouting" is available online from the National Scouting website at [myscouting.org](http://myscouting.org). Links to that location are provided on the new Hawkeye Area Council website.

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**Leader Specific Training** is available online ([myscouting.org](http://myscouting.org)) or led by veteran volunteers in the interactive classroom sessions listed below. This course provides position specific training (Tiger den leader, Cubmaster, etc) and is designed to teach the tips, tricks, and necessary skills to lead a fun, active, and rewarding Cub Scout group.

**Sunday, October 2, 2011; 1:00-4:00 PM**  
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church  
1350 Lyndhurst Dr, Hiawatha

**Tuesday, October 4, 2011; 6:00- 9:00 PM**  
Lucas Elementary School  
830 Southlawn Dr, Iowa City

**Sunday, March 4, 2012; 1:00-4:00 PM**  
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church  
1350 Lyndhurst Dr, Hiawatha

**Tuesday, April 17, 2012; 6:00- 9:00 PM**  
Lucas Elementary School  
830 Southlawn Dr, Iowa City

**BALOO Training** (Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation) is a one day outdoor session to give leaders the skills to take Scouts outdoors, teach age appropriate skills, and have fun. At least one BALOO trained leader is required on any pack overnight.

**Saturday, February 18, 2012; 8:00 AM- 5:00 PM**  
Dakin Dining Hall, Camp Wakonda  
Howard H Cherry Scout Reservation  
4521 Boy Scouts Rd, Central City

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## 2011 Order of the Arrow Key-Three

Lodge Chief-Ben Wilkinson

Lodge Advisor-Chris Godwin

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Dear Brothers,

This summer, at camp, cracker barrels were a blast with lots of pizza and fellowship. Callout ceremonies ran smoothly, with lots and lots of participation.

We had a lot of new OA candidates called out this summer. I believe we had 77 new callouts first week alone! Be sure to find all of the people in your troop that have been honored and congratulate them and welcome them. We are looking forward to helping them all get to conclaves to complete their ordeals and enjoy the fellowship that the OA offers.

Even though its been 100 degrees out, it's already time to start thinking about fall events. We have Fall Conclave September 9-11. This is a great time to unwind with a few days at the good old H.H.C.S.R! Be sure to mark it on your calendar, so you don't forget. We also have Section Conclave the weekend after, September 16-18. It's going to be a fun-filled weekend, with lots of fun training classes and activities. The theme this year is Harry Potter, so there's bound to be some awesome magic and games!

We also have a new event, Fall Fellowship!! We are going to be trying a whole new type of event that's a lock-in style night of fun and games. With this new activity, we will all have an opportunity to relax and hang out together as a lodge, just like one big party! It's going to be a great way to meet new friends and get to know all of the new arrowmen that will have just completed their ordeals. Be sure to look in your Moonshine for registration and more details!

I look forward to the rest of the summer and the fall to come, so far it has been fantastic and it's only getting better!

WWW,  
Benjamin Wilkinson

## Scouting For All

"A Scout is a friend to all. He is a brother to other Scouts. He seeks to understand others..."

One of the main objectives of the Scouting program is to develop leadership characteristics in our youth. Scouts with special needs are often the recipients of these skills as they are acquired by the other Scouts in our units. But it is our responsibility to develop these traits in all our Scouts. We need to look for opportunities for each youth to 'shine' in the eyes of his peers. You might identify a strength in the Scout and build on it; he's the clown of the unit, so give him a starring role in a skit. Or spend some time developing a specific skill, say tying a square knot, and then have him be the one to teach the new Scouts. The main thing is that each Scout in the unit needs to be involved in the activities and not sitting on the sidelines and everyone needs to feel like they excel at something and that others appreciate their efforts. Yes, this may take some thought and planning in advance in the beginning. But as time passes, you will naturally build these 'leadership moments' into your program and be successful in meeting this universal goal of Scouting.

Feel free to contact me if the Special Needs Committee can be of assistance to you.

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## Wood Badge C3-172-11-1



that you can be included in all of the pre course communications.

The 22 staff members of C3-172-11-1 have been preparing for several months for the 2011 course to be held at the Howard H. Cherry Scout Reservation at Camp Wakonda. We are all excited and ready to provide all participants an experience that you will not soon forget. The next meeting we have is the Pre-Course Participants Meeting, August 27, 2011. Registered participants will not want to miss this informative meeting about the course.

Wood Badge for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century is the ultimate leadership training program for adult leaders of the Boy Scouts of America. Wood Badge Training may be delivered to **all** Scout leaders. It has been developed for Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, and Venturing leaders, as well as council and district leaders, with focus on leadership. You do not have to be a veteran scouter to participate. New leaders from all programs and tenure are highly encouraged to take this training

Wood Badge Course C3-172-11-1 will be held for 3 days on two separate weekends. September 30-October 2, and October 14-October 16, 2011. It is mandatory to attend both 3-day weekends. Applications are available on the Council Web site, and at the Council Service Center.

I can't forget to mention that you will have a lot of **FUN** as well !!!

Revitalize your commitment to Scouting by sharing in this inspirational experience that provides Scouting with renewed leadership.

Consider making yourself a "Better Leader for Better Scouting" for Youth in the Hawkeye Area Council.

If you have questions please contact the Course Director, Kris Bloodgood at:  
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### *In Memory of Jeffrey Hale*

from:  
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### *In Memory of Diane Martin*

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## Summer Camp 2012

by David Cunningham, Camp Director

Staff is still trying to get the last of the summer camp equipment inventoried and stored. Aug 6, 2011 is close down, all are welcome to come help close program areas and take the opportunity to thank the staff for the summer memories.

Now is the time to record your thoughts on camp and provide the council camping committee with suggestions to improve next year's program. Ask your troop leadership which programs worked and what activities would have them attend camp next year. Send your input to the council Boy Scout camping committee. We are looking for new program ideas to improve the Scouts' experience at summer camp. Let us know if the kayak program and the night owl program worked. Keep in mind that the Scouts come to camp for the fun, so not all program ideas need to have a merit badge as the achievement.

We're looking forward to seeing you at camp in 2012. If you haven't made your campsite reservation yet, hurry to the Scout Shop and sign your unit up for the adventures of 2012 summer camp.

Troops, start talking to the WEBELOS II about the date of summer camp, the fees, the program offered and the fun. Most boys just need a friend to tell them of the fun they have in Scouting and to ask them to come along to learn how much fun the program is.

This summer was great, now let's look to 2012 to see how to make camp even better!

## Training

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**Boy Scout leader basic training** is conducted in a three part series. Parts one and two concentrate on troop operation. The third part, which focuses on outdoor skills, is a weekend camping experience. They do not need to be taken in numeric order, but all three courses must be taken

### Part 1

**Sunday, September 11, 2011; 1:00- 5:00 PM**  
Shueyville United Methodist Church  
1195 Steeple Ln, Shueyville

**Monday, January 16, 2012; 6:30- 9:30 PM**  
St. Marks United Methodist Church  
2675 E Washington St, Iowa City

**Sunday, March 11, 2012; 1:00- 5:00 PM**  
Shueyville United Methodist Church  
1195 Steeple Ln, Shueyville

### Part 2

**Sunday, September 25, 2011 1:00- 5:00 PM**  
Shueyville United Methodist Church  
1195 Steeple Ln, Shueyville

**Monday, February 20, 2012; 6:30- 9:30 PM**  
St. Marks United Methodist Church  
2675 E Washington St, Iowa City

**Sunday, April 8, 2012; 1:00- 5:00 PM**  
Shueyville United Methodist Church  
1195 Steeple Ln, Shueyville

### Part 3

**Friday, October 21, 5:30 PM**  
**Sunday, October 23, 2011, 11:00 AM**

or

**Friday, April 20, 5:30 PM**  
**Sunday, April 22, 2012, 11:00 AM**  
Camp Wakonda,  
Howard H. Cherry Scout Reservation  
4521 Boy Scouts Rd, Central City

**Den Chief Training-** is a course designed to enhance the confidence and leadership skills of Den Chiefs. It is recommended for all youth Boy Scouts who wish to work as a Den Chief in a Cub Scout den. The course is also available online at [myscouting.org](http://myscouting.org).

**Sunday, September 25, 2011, 1:00- 3:00 PM**  
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church  
1350 Lyndhurst, Hiawatha

**Sunday, January 8, 2012, 2:00- 4:00 PM**  
St. Joseph Catholic School  
1430 14<sup>th</sup> St, Marion

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## Ad Altare Dei for Roman Catholic Scouts

The purpose of the Ad Altare Dei (to the altar of God) program is to help Catholic Boy Scouts of the Roman Rite develop a fully Christian way of life in the faith community. The most important aspect of the program is that the Scout grows in his spiritual experience of his relationship to God and the church. The activity book, which can be purchased at the Scout Shop, is organized in chapters based on the seven Sacraments. The seven Sacraments are a primary means toward spiritual growth.

Participants must be registered Boy Scouts of Catholic Faith, and active members of their troop for a minimum of six months. Designed for youth 13-14 years old (6th grade completed), older boys may use this program.

The Hawkeye Area Council Catholic Committee on Scouting is finalizing plans to run an eight-week (tentatively scheduled for Sundays, September 25 – November 13) series of classes to help Scouts complete the requirements. Following these sessions, Scouts will participate in a service project and retreat. Final details and registration forms will be available at the District kick-off events and through other means later in August.

For further information, please contact Steve Serrot at (319) 378-3992 or via email at [sserrot@mchsi.com](mailto:sserrot@mchsi.com).

## Scout Shop News and Notes

Summer is nearly over and that means it is time to check out your Scout uniform. Have you grown some this summer? We would be happy to help you find a shirt that fits you and all of the badges that go with it. Do you have a new Scout in the family? Get his uniform now and be ready for the first fall activities.

Now is also a good time to pick out the merit badges that you want to work on this year. We have all of the latest Merit Badge Books in stock and also some kits to help you with your achievement. For Cub Scouts, now is the time to go through your book and see what you have done over the summer that counts towards advancement for you. We have copies of the Cub Scout Sports and Academics Guide in stock to help you discover what these advancements might be.

We hope you are having a wonderful summer and look forward to seeing you soon!

Sandi, Cornell, and Peter

## Camp Stuff by Ranger Rick

How can the summer be 2/3 over already? By the time you read this we will have completed National Camp School, Staff week, 4 weeks of Boy Scout camp, 2 webelos camps, 1 Cub Day camp, 3 Cub weekends, and a Bear resident camp. We begin August with Iowa Hospital kids, and a Lifeguard camp. From there, we begin our weekend events: Buck-A-Day, National Youth Leadership Training, a wedding, Regina H.S. and Five Seasons Youth Leadership doing C.O.P.E., and Woodbadge Staff training.

It's been an eventful summer with warm weather and two major storms as of this writing. Lots of our Scouts got to experience the storm refuges for real, including participants at National Camp School, and Scouts and leaders on their first morning during Week 3. Many thought 5:15 a.m. was awfully early, but everyone made it to the shelters and no one was hurt. THANKS to everyone who helped clean up tree debris after those two events!

Our reservations show that the fall months will be busy here at camp. We have a couple more weddings/receptions scheduled in Oct. as well as two weekends of Woodbadge. Numerous troops and packs are also signed up to use our facilities as well as Outdoor Leader training, school groups and outside groups. Never a dull moment! It's YOUR CAMP so get your reservations in early!

We plan to hold a CHAINSAW SAFETY COURSE this fall. Watch the Good Turn and the council website for dates and details. This training is mandatory for anyone wishing to use a chainsaw on council properties.

Hope to see you soon!

## Larry M. Griffin Obituary

Larry M. Griffin, Montgomery, Texas, born 1-28-1942, died peacefully at home on 6-23-2011. He was employed with Boy Scouts of America for 10 years and owned and operated Pleasant Valley Resort in Cimarron, Colorado for 29 years. He is survived by his wife, Linda, daughter, Lori Thompson, her husband Brian and daughter, Hailey, son Michael, Montgomery, Texas, Granddaughter, Sara Katke, North Carolina, Mother, Jean Griffin, Morning Sun, Iowa and brother, Tom Griffin, Ames, Iowa.

Memorials may be sent to Hawkeye Area Council, BSA, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, 53404 or C.B. Stewart West Branch Library, Montgomery, Texas, 77356.



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## August 2011

- 5 Kernels Overnight
- 2 Buck-a-Day event at camp
- 11 Program Kickoff (St. Elizabeth Church)
- 18 Eagle Board of Review (Service Center)

## Nationally Accredited Day Camp!!

We would like to thank **Todd and Jan Rosauer** for leading the Red Cedar District to our first ever Nationally Accredited Day Camp. Todd and Jan deserve a huge thank you for putting their heart and soul into making this a great Day Camp for the boys. Day Camp was held from June 21-24 and saw over 230 Cub Scouts attend. We would like to send out a big thank you to all the Troops that had Scouts come out and help with the event. What a great leadership experience for those youth. Thank you to all of the leaders from Packs, Troops and Crews who took time to come out and help run a station throughout the week. Without your help we wouldn't be able to hold events like Day Camp for the youth. On the hottest day of the week we were treated once again to Hawaiian Ice by Crew 2000. We can't thank them enough for donating the time and supplies to make sure everyone has a special treat to end the week.

We would really like to thank the leaders and parents who took the time to come out and enjoy some time with your son. That's what makes Scouting so special.

## Friends of Scouting

On behalf of **DJ Arnold** and all of his 2011 Friends of Scouting presenters we would like to thank you for your support in leading us to our most successful Friends of Scouting Family campaign ever. We had

more units hold presentations and more units earn Gold and Presidents level.

On the Community side of our campaign we have seen more raised in 2011 than in years past as well. **Mike Easley** did a wonderful job in leading his community team to new and greater successes. Your continued support of the campaign has allowed us to try new things this year at camp and offer more opportunities for the youth we serve.

## Fall Recruiting Kickoff and Recruiting

On August 11, we will be holding our annual program kickoff to jump start the 2011-12 program years. It will be held at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church beginning at 7:00 PM. This is an opportunity for you to get vital information that will help your unit get a great start on the program year. It is import to make sure to have one or more leaders from your unit attend this event.

Packs, this is where you will be picking up your fall recruiting flyers. By now you should have your School Night for Scouting events set and ready to go. If not you need to get this set up, it is vital for all Packs to have a successful fall recruiting. It brings new life and volunteers to your Pack. If you have any questions on fall recruiting or need help with your event we will do our best to help you out. Our goal is to make sure that every Pack in the Red Cedar district is strong and thriving. For any assistance with flyers or other recruiting information please contact Dave Wertz at 862-0541 or [david.wertz@scouting.org](mailto:david.wertz@scouting.org).

## 2011 Camping Season

As a district, we had a great turn out this summer for the numerous camping events this season. It was great to see so many Packs taking part in the different Cub Camping events. We saw a lot of excited boys taking part in their first camping experience this summer.

We also saw a lot of our Troops back at camp this year in greater numbers. Those at camp looked like they we're having a great time. And who could forget the high adventures from Duluth to Sea Base and beyond Troops got out and gave their scouts a summer to remember. And the Crews. Peru anyone? Who would have thought when their son started Cub Scouts they would have the opportunity to enjoy the sights of South America. Thank you to all the leaders who took the time this summer to give their Scouts memories to last a lifetime.



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*A CENTENNIAL QUALITY DISTRICT*

### August 2011

- 8-11 Collins Road Theaters Kids Movies  
Sponsored by Hawkeye Area Council
- 9 District Cabinet Meeting
- 11 2011 District Program Fair  
Lutheran Church of the Resurrection
- 22-26 Join Scouting Week

## Building Scouting: The Journey to Excellence

This year we continue the journey of Scouting and want to grow more than ever! We began with our annual Membership BBQ on July 14. Recruiting efforts got underway at our annual membership bbq. Everyone began gearing up for the "Back to School" recruiting effort. This year "Join Scouting Week" is August 22-26, but we will have school night and recruiting events from the start of August through the end of September 2011. Every youth deserves the chance to be a Scout. Let's give them that chance!

The packs that attended the kickoff made plans for the next several months and signed a challenge commitment as to the number of Scouts they are going to recruit. Whether you are a leader in a Cub Pack, a Troop, a Crew, or just a parent of a Scout...it doesn't matter. Your unit is vital to our mission! The key to success is getting the word out to everyone in your school and community that Scouting is vibrant and alive in the Three Rivers District and EVERY youth deserves a chance to be a part of that. Mark your calendars and support your unit's efforts to "Build Scouting" in the next century, and join all of us on our Journey to Excellence!

## 2011 Program Kickoff: Scouting Around the World

What a great theme for this year's Program Fair! Our District Commissioners Staff and District Committee have a great event planned for you. Program Fair/Kickoff is August 11, 2011 at the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection in Marion. Cub Scout, Boy Scout, and Venturing leaders will find all the information you could want plus many more things that you can use to make the 2011-2012 program year the best ever. Please let all parents know that they are encouraged to attend as well. Many parents and leaders wonder what is going on, what to do next, or how to find out about other program ideas—here's their chance. Besides information and knowledge sharing, there will be FREE FOOD! Our Commissioner Staff Cooking Crew will be providing a picnic style dinner for all attendees. You can expect to find everything from booths on Cub Scout, Boy Scout, and Venturing activities offered by the district and the council for the next year to information on training, advancement, membership, POPCORN, the Howard H Cherry Scout Reservation, the 2013 Jamboree, Cub Camping, Webelos Woods, Arrow of Light Celebration, Camporees, District and Council Dinners, and much more. In one short evening you can certainly have as much fun as the law allows and kick start your unit's program planning. All of this is centered on a Nations of the World theme. We hope you can come have some fun with us on August 11.

## Unit Commissioners Needed!

Must enjoy working with and mentoring troops, packs, and crews. Will train. No pay, but you can't put a price on the smile on the faces of a happy unit and unit leaders. You could be the next Unit Super Hero. Apply anytime.

Call **Curt Morrison** (319) 533-0831 or  
[curtmatwork@aol.com](mailto:curtmatwork@aol.com)

## District Award of Merit

Each year, the district honors a few select Scouting volunteers with the District Award of Merit. Recipients are honored based on service of outstanding nature at the district level and in the community. This year, Three Rivers District will have the opportunity to present two awards at our District Awards and Recognition Dinner. Please nominate those volunteers you feel are worthy of this great award. Nomination forms are available at the Scout Shop or [www.hawkeyebsa.org](http://www.hawkeyebsa.org) Forms must be submitted by Roundtable, October 6.



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**August 2011**

- 2 Eagle Scout Boards of Review
- 11 Program Kick-Off, 7:00 PM  
 Church of Jesus Christ- LDS  
 (Dublin Drive, Iowa City)
- 15-17 Iowa City Schools Ice Cream Socials  
 Pack recruiting tables at all socials

**Cuboree**

Plan now for a great den or pack activity October 8 at F.W. Kent Park in Johnson County. The Cuboree will run from 12:00- 7:30 PM and will include exciting activities like: slingshots, fishing, first aid, outdoor Iowa, and much more. Scouts will also get to participate in a large campfire. The fee is only \$10 and will include dinner. This is a great event for current scouts and especially boys joining this fall. Registration materials will be available at program kickoff. For questions, contact cuboree chairman **Steve Zirtzman** at *szirtsman@ledfordengr.com*.

**Join Scouting!**

Fall is the perfect time for new scouts to join Packs, Troops, and Crews. Cub Scout packs make sure to attend your “meet the teacher” or “ice cream social” event to invite boys and parents to your joining night. There are 2,986 boys in 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> grade alone throughout our district waiting to be asked to join scouting this fall. They may not join the first time they’re asked, but let’s work together to make sure each and every boy hears about Scouting this fall and has the opportunity to join. Scouting impacts the lives of boys, but only if they join. For questions, help at events, and ideas contact your zone chair or **Suzanne Windisch**, membership vice-chair at *scoutingchef@hotmail.com* or (319) 331-7690. We’re here to help you! Together, we’ll make the world better... one boy at a time!

**Nationally Accredited Day  
 Camp Huge Success!**

Over 330 Cub Scouts took over the Johnson County fairgrounds in June for the 2011 day camp! For four days, the scouts had a blast experiencing games, activities, and skill building events! A big THANK YOU to all the parents and volunteers who helped staff the camp and walk with their packs. Congratulations all on being accredited by the National Council for the second year in a row and being part of a fun, safe, and well planned day camp. A special thank you to the administrative team for their year round efforts: Camp Director **Tami Posivio**, Program Directors **Misty Kent** and **Steve Zirtzman**, and range director **Chris Hagemeyer**. Save the dates for day camp 2012: June 11-14, 2012!

**Program Kick-Off**

All adult leaders, especially Cubmasters, Committee Chairs, Scoutmasters, and Venturing leaders, are invited and highly encouraged to attend the 2011 Program Kick-Off to be held on **Thursday, August 11th at 7:00pm at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 570 Dublin Drive, Iowa City.**

Program Kick-Off is designed to be a “one-stop shop” for mounds of FREE resources to get off to a great start for the 2011/2012 program year. The format is a self-guided “round robin”, which gives you an opportunity to meet with District Scouting volunteers responsible for various parts of program in the district!

All units that have at least one representative attend the kick-off, and provide contact information for their advancement person, popcorn contact, and friends of scouting contact will receive a \$10 gift certificate redeemable at the Council Scout Shop!

Any questions on Program Kick-Off should be directed to **Tami Posivio** *posivio@mchsi.com*. Don’t miss out on all the great information and resources. See you there!

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## Trailblazers District

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## Scouts Go Camping!



Many Scouts in the Trailblazers have had the opportunity to go camping this summer!

Whether it was a daylong camp, overnight camp, or Boy Scout Resident Camp, groups from the

following units and organizations got to experience the thrill of camping!

Pack/Troop 28 – Four Oaks Bridge  
Pack 106 – Johnson Elementary STARS Program  
Pack/Troop 230 – Tanager Place  
Troop 2 – Christ Episcopal Church  
Crew 805/806 – Youth Leadership Program  
Crew 807 – Youth Resiliency Program  
Crew 1004 – Foundation 2

If your unit hasn't participated in a camping experience, it is not too late. Contact District Executive John Myers to find out how this Fall!

## Cub Scouts

Fall kicks off the new Cub Scout year! The new Cub Scouting support materials and resources used last year were a success! If you need more materials or resources please contact Frank Sladek, Cubmaster. More information about the changes in the Cub Scout delivery method can be found at [scouting.org/cubscouts](http://scouting.org/cubscouts).

## Volunteer Opportunities

Scouting volunteer opportunities are available in the following Cub Scout Packs and Boy Scout Troops:

- Iowa City serving at-risk youth within specific, targeted areas of the Southeast side neighborhoods.
- Cedar Rapids "J Street" Apartments on the SW side of town.

In addition, opportunities are available to help coordinate and plan district-wide events such as camporees, advancement opportunities, and other events for youth in Trailblazers.

## Roundtable

Every month a district roundtable will be held. The purpose of this meeting will be to share best practices, communicate the latest happenings in outreach Scouting and provide training and program help opportunities for working with youth.

Roundtable will be held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month from 7pm – 8:30pm. Specific location will be announced monthly on the Council website ([www.hawkeyebsa.org](http://www.hawkeyebsa.org)) and via the Trailblazers District Email Newsletter. To subscribe to this newsletter please email John Myers.

## Fall Camporee!!

The first ever Trailblazers district Fall Camporee will be held October 7 – 9, 2011. More information will be available at program kick-off/roundtable. All Trailblazers Packs and Troops are invited to participate.

[www.BeAScout.org](http://www.BeAScout.org)

All units have a 'pin' on a Google map promoting their unit to potential Scouts and their parents. This 'pin' or dot on a map shows information about your unit, including meeting date, time, location, and unit leader contact information. It also allows the potential Scout or parent to contact the unit leader securely through the website.

Managing this 'pin' is done through MyScouting at [www.myscouting.org](http://www.myscouting.org). Only the unit leader, committee chair, or chartered organization representative have access to update this. If you have any questions regarding this please talk to District Executive John Myers.

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These young men have earned the Eagle Scout Award:

***Ian Chapman***  
***Kevin Bauer***  
***Ryan Mecham***  
***Joshua Sears***  
***John Zauche***

Central City, Troop 67, Anamosa United Methodist Church - Charles Vernon, SM  
Marion, Troop 68, St. Joseph Catholic Church - Terry Gamerdinger, SM  
Iowa City, Troop 224, LDS-Ward 4, Iowa City, IA Stake - Peter Elzinga, SM  
Cedar Rapids, Troop 9, St. Stephen's Lutheran Church - Brent Pahl, SM  
Hiawatha, Troop 42, St. Pius X & St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Churches - Dave Airy, SM

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